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The facility continued water pumping operations, including the intercept trench, water in the containment areas, and the sumps. The hose for pumping the intercept trench froze after the last pumping of the trench. The facility is thawing the hose while there is still a low amount of water in the trench in case there are any problems with the hose.

The waste water at the Poca Blending Facility (Poca) was approved for more shipments into the Waste Management DSI – Hurricane, WV facility. The facility is awaiting creditor and legal approval to ship the remaining waste water. Meetings are ongoing to determine the final treatment of the water stored in tanks on the Freedom Industries site.

At the request of WVDEP, the facility intends to install a plug in the sump inside the containment area for Tanks 399. The facility is also planning to install an inflatable plug in the pipes for the oil/water separator. A possible leak was observed in the pipes. This will hopefully alleviate some of the flooding at the oil/water separator area.

The facility still intends to add topsoil to the ditch along Barlow Road to obtain a grade that will facilitate proper water drainage. They are obtaining fill dirt from a Department of Highway (DOH) approved source. This work is scheduled to be done today (February 27<sup>th</sup>).

The facility excavated (on 2/26/2014) an area outside the eastern containment wall to determine if there was a water pipe under the containment area that could be contributing to the water inside the containment. During the excavation, water began to pour outside the containment wall into the excavated hole. The hole outside the containment wall was left open and the water eventually flowed back inside the containment wall via the culvert pipe. The water is being pumped to storage from this sump area. The contractor moved inside the containment wall and

excavated at the same location but no pipe or water was uncovered. It is thought that there is a bed of gravel under the containment area that is trapping groundwater. The contractor would like to excavate other holes along the outside of the containment area to test this theory, but plans have not been made yet.

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